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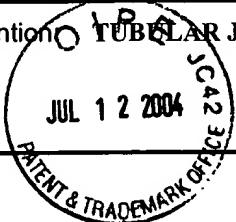
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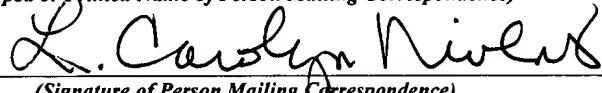
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 10, 2004, please amend the application as follows and consider the included remarks.